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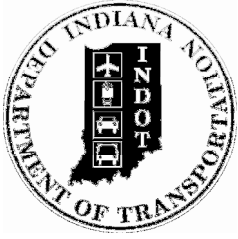
INDOT Announces 27 Projects for Potential Stimulus Funding

\$44.5 Million in Projects Should Create Jobs in 24 Counties

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indiana Department of Transportation has moved quickly to identify 27 projects valued at \$44.5 million that may be paid for through federal stimulus package funds. The projects are located in 24 Hoosier counties, and they represent a variety of work.

“Gov. Mitch Daniels has stressed to INDOT that it is imperative to fund projects that will put people to work quickly, and these projects will do that,” said Karl B. Browning, commissioner –INDOT. “These projects have passed scrutiny by the Federal Highway Administration, and they are the closest to being ready for construction.”

Through the Build Indiana Council, the construction industry told the department that they would put the most people to work if INDOT provides geographic diversity, maintains competitively sized bid packages, and provides a diversity of different types of work. Browning said this first group of projects does that.



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Funding for these jobs depends on approval of the economic recovery act by Congress. One of the requirements of the proposed legislation is that projects need to be shovel ready within at least 90 to 180 days, depending on which version is approved by Congress.

These first stimulus-related projects are being advertised today (Friday, Feb. 6) for bids by contractors. The bids will be opened on Friday, Feb. 27. They will be awarded on a lowest-bid basis.

There will be additional bid awards for potential stimulus projects announced at a later date.

(A list of these first projects is attached.)

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